

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraphs [0020], [0021] and [0038] with the following rewritten paragraphs:

[0020] FIG. 11 is an explanatory view of the vehicle steering apparatus according to the ~~second~~third exemplary embodiment; and

[0021] FIG. 12 is an explanatory view of the vehicle steering apparatus according to the ~~second~~third exemplary embodiment.

[0038] The detecting portion 12 is provided with three magnetic sensors 12a to 12c, for example, by which it detects the rotational position of the rotating shaft 33 based on the change in the magnetic field. These magnetic sensors 12a to 12c, each of which is connected to the steering controller 20 (see FIG. 1), are arranged along the periphery of the rotor portion 11 such that the interval between the centers of adjacent magnetic sensors (e.g., ~~26a, 26b~~12a, 12b) is equivalent to one third of an outer periphery portion of one magnetic pole 25a.